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ended February 23, 1907. Six plague cases were admitted to hospital during the week and two deaths were reported. The cases occurred in various localities of the city and no connection was shown to exist among them. Rodents destroyed, 2,691; examined, 453; found infected, 3. Week ended March 9, 1907. Three cases of plague; no apparent connection among the cases. One plague death. Rodents destroyed, 2,190; examined, 905; found infected, 7.

KEMPSEY.—One death occurred during the week ended February 16, 1907. The town has been cleaned, but an occasional plague rat continues to be found.

BRAZIL.

Reports from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Mortality—Plague, smallpox, and yellow fever—Fatal case of laboratory plague at Lima, Peru.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, March 20 and 29, and April 3:

Week ended March 17, 1907. Vessels inspected and received bills of health: On the 15th instant, the British steamship *Titian*, for New York, with a cargo of coffee, 5 first-class passengers from this port, no steerage passengers, and no alteration in the personnel of the crew; on the 16th instant, the Portugese bark *Margarida*, for New Orleans, in stone ballast, no passengers, and no change in the personnel of the crew while in this port.

No other vessels requiring inspection left this port during the period under report.

Plague in Lima, Peru.—A dispatch of the 15th instant, states that a fatal case of laboratory plague occurred in Lima on the 14th instant. The deceased was accidentally inoculated with a culture of plague which had been obtained for experimental purposes, the method of such involuntary inoculation not being stated, and the case was a very severe one from its inception. No other cases have been reported from that city.

Mortality reports.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.—Week ended March 17, 1907. Total estimated population, 912,900. Census of 1906, 811,265. Total deaths, 284. Bubonic plague, 1 death; yellow fever, no cases, no deaths; variola, 2 new cases and no deaths. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião no cases of yellow fever, 4 cases of variola, 3 cases of plague, and 20 cases of suspicious illness under observation.

Week ended March 24, 1907. Vessels inspected and received bills of health: On the 19th instant, the British barkentine *Lovisa*, for Boston, in stone ballast, no passengers, and no change in the personnel of the crew while in this port; on the 22d instant, the British steamship *Eastern Prince*, for New York, in cargo of coffee, no first-class and 5 steerage passengers and no change in the crew personnel; vessel not inspected by me; on the 23d instant, the Belgian steamship *Calderon*, for New Orleans and New York, with no passengers from this port and with 1 new member of the crew signed on in this port.